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INTRODUÇÃO

O livro foi dividido em duas partes. Na primeira tem os mini contos em inglês com tradução em português para que você consiga entender a estória perfeitamente. Eu não fiz a tradução dos textos de uma maneira fluente, fiz ao pé da letra, tentando traduzir palavra por palavra (com algumas exceções) porque se eu fizesse uma tradução fluente talvez você não conseguisse entender alguns padrões do inglês.

E a segunda parte é para você praticar a leitura em inglês das mesmas estórias, mas dessa vez sem tradução, apenas com o significado das palavras mais difíceis.

Este livro é especificamente para iniciantes e intermediários, se você for um estudante avançado da língua inglesa, pode achar que ele seja inútil pra você. Mas caso queira apenas praticar a sua leitura, então ele pode ser útil pra você.

A repetição te ajudará a aprender inglês, então leia este livro quantas vezes você conseguir para que você possa lembrar os padrões das frases, e a maneira como as palavras mudam o sentido conforme o contexto da frase.

PARTE 1

It's Time to Sleep

Joseph went to bed. It was ten o'clock. He turned out the light. He lay in bed. It was really dark. It was quiet. He could not sleep. He closed his eyes.

Joseph foi para a cama. Era 10 horas. Ele desligou a luz. Ele deitou na cama. Estava realmente escuro. Estava silencioso. Ele não conseguia dormir. Ele fechou os seus olhos.

He tried to sleep, but he couldn't. He turned the light back on. He opened his book. He started to read his book. It was an amazing book.

Ele tentou dormir, mas ele não conseguiu. Ele ligou a luz de novo. Ele abriu o seu livro. Ele começou a ler o livro dele. Era um livro incrível.

He read one page. Then he read another page. He turned out the light again. He closed his eyes and he went straight to sleep.

Ele leu uma página. Então ele leu outra página. Depois de um tempo, ele sentiu sono. Ele fechou o livro. Ele desligou a luz de novo. Ele fechou seus olhos e ele foi dormir direto.

Marie Goes to the Gym

Marie exercised every day. She lifted weights. She ran on the street. She rode her bicycle everywhere. She did pull-ups and push-ups. She did crunches and sit-ups.

Marie se exercitava todos os dias. Ela levantava pesos. Ela corria na rua. Ela andava em sua bicicleta em todos os lugares. Ela fazia barras e flexões. Ela fazia abdominais. (crunches e sit-ups são dois tipos de abdominais diferentes)

She loved being in shape. It felt great. She felt powerful. She felt incredible. She felt fast. She felt attractive.

Ela amava estar em forma. Parecia ótimo. (Tradução fluente: Ela se sentia ótima) Ela se sentia poderosa. Ela se sentia incrível. Ela se sentia rápida. Ela se sentia atraente.

It made her feel confident. People complimented her appearance. "Look at those muscles," people said to her. "Thank you, I work out," she replied.

Isso fazia com que ela se sentia confiante. As pessoas elogiavam a aparência dela. "Olha esses músculos," as pessoas diziam para ela. "Obrigada, eu malho," ela respondia.

But Marie was not always in shape. She used to be fat. She did not like being fat. She was made fun of. She had a low self-esteem. She felt unattractive.

Mas Marie nem sempre esteve em forma. Ela costumava ser gorda. Ela não gostava de ser gorda. Tiravam sarro dela. Ela tinha a autoestima baixa. Ela se sentia pouco atraente.

Her body felt tired and heavy. She had no energy. She knew she had to change. She looked in the mirror one day. She promised herself to lose weight.

O corpo dela se sentia cansado e pesado. Ela não tinha energia. Ela sabia

que ela tinha que mudar. Ela olhou no espelho um dia. Ela prometeu para si mesmo (que iria) perder peso.

She stopped eating unhealthy food. She started moving around more. She went jogging at night. She started going to the gym. And Marie lost weight.

Ela parou de comer comida não saudável. Ela começou a se movimentar mais. Ela ia correr à noite. Ela começou a ir para a academia. E Marie perdeu peso.

Almost Sisters

Jennifer and Sarah were best friends. People thought they were sisters because they did everything together. They shared everything with each other. They met in high school.

Jennifer e Sarah eram melhores amigas. As pessoas pensavam que elas eram irmãs porque elas faziam tudo juntas. Elas compartilhavam tudo uma com a outra. Elas se conheceram no ensino médio.

They were in the same university. Sometimes they argued, but soon they made up. College can be tough sometimes. They took classes together. They studied together.

Elas estavam na mesma universidade. Às vezes elas discutiam, mas logo se reconciliavam. Faculdade pode ser difícil ás vezes. Elas tinham aulas juntas. Elas estudavam juntas.

Jennifer and Sarah always helped each other. They were good students. They were from Florida. They went home together. They lived in the same town.

Jennifer e Sarah sempre ajudavam uma a outra. Elas eram boas alunas. Elas eram da Flórida. Elas iam para casa juntas. Elas moravam na mesma cidade.

They knew the same people. Their family knew each other. They went back to university together. They shared the same room.

Elas conheciam as mesmas pessoas. As famílias delas se conheciam. Elas voltaram para a universidade juntas. Elas compartilhavam o mesmo quarto.

Jennifer and Sarah acted like sisters. It is nice having a best friend. Everybody should have a best friend. Do you have a best friend?

Jennifer e Sarah agiam como irmãs. É bom ter uma melhor amiga. Todo mundo deveria ter um melhor amigo. Você tem um melhor amigo?

Unlocking the Door

It was Saturday in California. Carolyn needed some cash. She walked to the bank on the corner. Next to the bank were eight indoor ATMs. A man was using one of the ATMs.

Era sábado na Califórnia. Carolyn precisava de (algum) dinheiro. Ela caminhou até o banco na esquina. Ao lado do banco estavam oito caixas eletrônicos internos. Um homem estava usando um dos caixas eletrônicos.

Carolyn pulled on the glass door. The door was locked. She pulled again. How did he get in there? The man finished using the ATM. He walked toward her. He opened the door. He stepped outside.

Carolyn puxou a porta de vidro. A porta estava trancada. Ela puxou novamente. Como ele entrou lá? O homem acabou de usar o caixa eletrônico. Ele caminhou em direção a ela. Ele abriu a porta. Ele foi para fora.

She held onto the door. She walked inside. He must have waited for someone, too, Carolyn thought. She put her card into the ATM. She got her money.

Ela segurou a porta. Ela caminhou para dentro. Ele também deve ter esperado por alguém, pensou Carolyn. Ela colocou o cartão no caixa eletrônico. Ela pegou o dinheiro dela.

She started to walk out. Just then a young man walked in. She could not believe it. "Excuse me," she said. "How did you get in here? That door is locked."

Ela começou a caminhar para fora. Naquele momento, um jovem entrou. Ela não conseguia acreditar. "Com licença", disse ela. "Como você entrou aqui? Essa porta está trancada."

"Outside there is a slot next to the door," the man said. "All you have to do is slide your ATM card into the slot and the door will unlock."

"Lá fora, tem um slot ao lado da porta", disse o homem. "Tudo o que você precisa fazer é deslizar o seu cartão do caixa eletrônico no slot e a porta será destrancada".

Chocolate Cake

Mark's birthday was today. "I want nothing for my birthday," he had said. Alice knew better. She knew that "nothing" meant "something."

O aniversário de Mark era hoje. "Eu não quero nada para o meu aniversário", ele tinha dito. Alice sabia melhor. Ela sabia que "nada" significava "alguma coisa".

So she went to the bakery in the morning. She looked at the cakes. He liked cake without icing. So she looked for a cake without icing. She didn't see one. But she saw a chocolate cake.

Então ela foi à padaria pela manhã. Ela olhou para os bolos. Ele gostava de bolo sem glacê. Então ela procurou um bolo sem glacê. Ela não viu nenhum. Mas ela viu um bolo de chocolate.

The cake had vanilla icing. She liked vanilla icing. He liked chocolate cake. And then she bought the cake. The baker wrote "Happy Birthday Mark" on the cake. He will like this cake, Alice thought. She took it home.

O bolo tinha glacê de baunilha. Ela gostava de glacê de baunilha. Ele gostava de bolo de chocolate. E então ela comprou o bolo. O padeiro escreveu "Feliz Aniversário Mark" no bolo. Ele vai gostar desse bolo, pensou Alice. Ela levou o bolo para casa.

She showed Mark the cake. "It looks delicious," he said. "But you have to eat the icing. Did you buy this cake for me or for you? I know you love icing. And you know I hate icing. Next year buy me a cake without icing.

Ela mostrou o bolo para o Mark. "Parece delicioso", disse ele. "Mas você tem que comer o glacê". Você comprou esse bolo para mim ou para você? Eu sei que você ama glacê. E você sabe que eu odeio glacê. Ano que vem compra um bolo sem glacê pra mim

You have a whole year to find one. But thank you for the cake, I love you."

Você tem um ano inteiro para encontrar um. Mas obrigado pelo bolo, eu amo você".

Don't Be Late

Gary did not have much time. It was time to go to work. He did not want to be late for work. He would lose his job if he was late. So he finished his coffee. He drank the last drop.

Gary não tinha muito tempo. Era hora de ir para o trabalho. Ele não queria chegar atrasado no trabalho. Ele perderia seu emprego se ele estivesse atrasado. Então ele terminou o café dele. Ele bebeu a última gota.

He put the coffee cup in the kitchen sink. He turned on the kitchen faucet. He poured water into the cup. He turned off the faucet. He picked up his keys. The keys were on the kitchen table. He grabbed his black coat.

Ele colocou a xícara de café na pia da cozinha. Ele ligou a torneira da cozinha. Ele despejou água no copo. Ele desligou a torneira. Ele pegou as chaves dele. As chaves estavam na mesa da cozinha. Ele pegou seu casaco preto.

His black coat was on the chair and the chair was next to the door. He walked outside. He locked his door with his house key. And then he went to work.

O casaco preto dele estava na cadeira e a cadeira estava do lado da porta. Ele caminhou para fora. Ele trancou a porta com a chave da casa. E então ele foi trabalhar.

Linda Loves Books

Reading a book is really fun. Books make you and me smarter. They also make you a better reader. Linda loves to read books. She reads books on cloudy days.

Ler um livro é muito divertido. Os livros fazem você e eu mais inteligentes. Eles também fazem você um leitor melhor. Linda adora ler livros. Ela lê livros em dias nublados.

She reads books on sunny days and she also reads books on rainy days. Linda has read many books. She read her first book in first grade. Her teachers were really impressed.

Ela lê livros em dias ensolarados e ela também lê livros em dias chuvosos. Linda leu muitos livros. Ela leu seu primeiro livro na primeira série. Os professores dela ficaram realmente impressionados.

Linda was a good and dedicated student. She had the highest grades in class. Linda learned a lot by reading books. She learned new words. She learned new adjectives. She learned new verbs. Linda reads every single day.

Linda era uma aluna boa e dedicada. Ela tinha as notas mais altas da turma. Linda aprendeu muito lendo livros. Ela aprendeu novas palavras. Ela aprendeu novos adjetivos. Ela aprendeu novos verbos. Linda lê todos os dias.

She has learned about history. She has learned about the whole world. She has learned about animals and she also has learned about people. Linda loves to learn about new things.

Ela aprendeu sobre história. Ela aprendeu sobre o mundo inteiro. Ela aprendeu sobre os animais e ela também aprendeu sobre as pessoas. Linda ama aprender sobre coisas novas.

She learns something new every day. Linda has many books. She has large bookshelves. They are full of good books. Linda collects a lot of books.

Ela aprende algo novo todos os dias. Linda tem muitos livros. Ela tem grandes estantes de livros. Elas estão cheios de livros bons. Linda coleciona muitos livros.

She has bought hundreds of books at bookstores. Linda wants to read every book in the world.

Ela comprou centenas de livros nas livrarias. Linda quer ler todos os livros do mundo.

Dakota the Friendly Dog

Dakota was a friendly dog. She was obedient. Dakota did as she was told. She only barked when she was threatened. She never bit anybody in her entire life. Dakota liked playing catch.

Dakota era uma cachorra amigável. Ela era obediente. Dakota fazia o que falavam pra ela. Ela só latia quando era ameaçada. Ela nunca mordeu ninguém em toda a sua vida. Dakota gostava de brincar de "pega-pega". (catch é quando você joga algo pro cachorro e ele pega)

Dakota ran after the ball when it was thrown. She returned the ball to her owner's hand. Dakota had white fur. She was abandoned by her previous owner and she was found by a girl.

Dakota corria atrás da bola quando jogavam ela. Ela devolvia a bola na mão de seu dono. Dakota tinha o pelo branco. Ela foi abandonada pelo seu dono anterior e ela foi encontrada por uma menina.

The girl took care of her. The girl loved Dakota, and Dakota loved the girl too. The girl walked her in the afternoons. Strangers loved to pet Dakota and she liked being pet.

A menina cuidou dela. A menina amava Dakota, e Dakota amava a menina também. A menina levava ela para passear nas tardes. Estranhos gostavam de fazer carinho na Dakota e ela gostava de receber carinho.

She liked to lick people's hands and faces. "Who's a good girl?" strangers said to Dakota. She would get excited and jump around. Dakota was the perfect dog.

Ela gostava de lamber as mãos e os rostos das pessoas. "Quem é uma boa menina?" Estranhos diziam pra Dakota. Ela ficava animada e pulava ao redor. Dakota era a cachorra perfeita.

The girl never thought of abandoning her. And she never ran away. Dakota and the girl were friends for the rest of their lives.

A menina nunca pensou em abandoná-la. E ela nunca fugiu. Dakota e a menina foram amigas pelo resto de suas vidas.

Brenda Went to the Park

It was a beautiful day. Brenda went to the park. There were people everywhere. Brenda saw many things. She saw a kid riding a bike. She saw a boy swinging on a swing.

Era um belo dia. Brenda foi ao parque. Tinha pessoas em todos os lugares. Brenda viu muitas coisas. Ela viu uma criança andando de bicicleta. Ela viu um menino balançando em um balanço.

She saw a man playing the guitar. She saw a beautiful family having a picnic. It was a happy sight. Brenda took a deep breath. The air was fresh.

Ela viu um homem tocando violão. Ela viu uma família linda fazendo um piquenique. Era uma visão feliz (uma bela vista). Brenda respirou fundo. O ar estava fresco.

The smell of flowers was in the air. All the trees were swaying in the wind. Brenda felt so alive. She heard a bell. She looked around and saw the ice-cream man.

O cheiro das flores estava no ar. Todas as árvores estavam balançando ao vento. Brenda sentiu-se tão viva. Ela ouviu um sino. Ela olhou em volta e viu o sorveteiro (homem do sorvete).

She reached in her pockets and grabbed two dollars. "Hey, ice-cream man!" Brenda yelled. The ice-cream man stopped and turned around.

Ela alcançou os seus bolsos (colocou a mão no bolso) e pegou dois dólares. "Ei, sorveteiro!" gritou Brenda. O sorveteiro parou e se virou.

He walked towards Brenda. "One ice-cream, please," Brenda said. The ice-cream man handed Brenda an ice-cream bar. "Thank you," said the ice-cream man.

Ele caminhou em direção a Brenda. "Um sorvete, por favor", disse Brenda. O sorveteiro entregou um sorvete de palito para Brenda. "Obrigado", o

sorveteiro disse.

Brenda paid and went on her way. It was a sunny and happy day. Everything was perfect.

Brenda pagou e seguiu o seu caminho. Foi um dia ensolarado e feliz. Tudo foi perfeito.

Lunch Time

Steven walked into a restaurant. It was lunch time. He was a bit hungry. He sat down at a table. The waiter handed him a menu. "What would you like to drink?" the waiter asked. He asked for water. He was on a budget.

Steven entrou em um restaurante. Era hora do almoço. Ele estava com um pouco de fome. Ele se sentou em uma mesa. O garçom entregou-lhe um cardápio. "O que você gostaria de beber?" o garçom perguntou. Ele pediu água. Ele estava com uma quantia certa de dinheiro. (budget significa orçamento.)

Steven stopped buying drinks. Water was always free. He liked eating French fries. So he looked at the menu and there was no French fries. Steven called the waiter. "Do you serve French fries?" he asked. "No, I am sorry," the waiter said.

Steven parou de comprar bebidas. Água sempre foi gratuita. Ele gostava de comer batatas fritas. Então ele olhou o cardápio e não tinha batata frita. Steven chamou o garçom. "Você serve batata frita?" ele perguntou. "Não, desculpe", disse o garçom.

He was disappointed. He looked at the menu again. He needed time to think, so the waiter left. He did like chicken. He did not like lamb. He did not like pork. He was a picky eater.

Ele ficou desapontado. Ele olhou o cardápio de novo. Ele precisava de tempo para pensar, então o garçom foi embora. Ele gostava de galinha. Ele não gostava de cordeiro. Ele não gostava de carne de porco. Ele era um comedor exigente.

He made up his mind. The waiter came back, and he ordered fish. The waiter wrote it down. He smiled and left. And then he ate fish for lunch.

Ele se decidiu. O garçom voltou, e ele pediu peixe. O garçom anotou isso. Ele sorriu e saiu. E então ele comeu peixe no almoço.

Spanish Test

The day of the Spanish test was next Tuesday. Ashley had three days to study. She did not like Spanish. It was her hardest subject, but she had to study in order to pass. She locked herself in her room. She turned off her phone. And she shut off her computer too.

O dia do teste de espanhol era na próxima terça-feira. Ashley teve três dias para estudar. Ela não gostava de espanhol. Era a matéria mais difícil dela, mas ela tinha que estudar para passar. Ela se trancou em seu quarto. Ela desligou o celular dela. E ela desligou o computador dela também.

There could be no distractions, but she left her radio on. Music helped her study. Every day Ashley studied for hours. After two days she stopped. She needed help. She could not answer some Spanish questions.

Não podia haver distrações, mas ela deixou o rádio ligado. A música a ajudava a estudar. Ashley estudava por horas todos os dias. Depois de dois dias, ela parou. Ela precisava de ajuda. Ela não conseguiu responder a algumas perguntas de espanhol.

So she called her friend. Her friend was good at Spanish. She asked her friend if she could help. Her friend said yes and came over. Her friend helped her study for four hours.

Então ela chamou sua amiga. A amiga dela era boa em espanhol. Ela perguntou à amiga se ela poderia ajudar. A amiga dela disse que sim e foi lá. Sua amiga a ajudou a estudar por quatro horas.

Ashley was ready to take the test. Her friend wished her good luck. And then the day of the test came. She finally took the test. She passed the test. Studying had paid off.

Ashley estava pronta para fazer o teste. Sua amiga desejou-lhe boa sorte. E então chegou o dia do teste. Ela finalmente fez o teste. Ela passou no teste. Estudar valeu a pena.

HEARING FOOTSTEPS

Briella heard her name. She turned around. "Hello, who is there?" she asked. She was working late. It was her turn to close the store. She was alone. She was at the register counting money. It was almost midnight. She was sleepy.

Briella ouviu o nome dela. Ela se virou. "Olá, quem está aí?" ela perguntou. Ela estava trabalhando até tarde. Era sua vez de fechar a loja. Ela estava sozinha. Ela estava na registradora contando dinheiro. Era quase meia noite. Ela estava com sono.

Her feet were tired. She had been standing for seven hours. She was almost finished. Briella turned around again. She heard footsteps. She was scared. She put the money down. And then she started walking towards the footsteps. "Who is there?" she said.

Seus pés estavam cansados. Ela estava em pé por sete horas. Ela estava quase terminando. Briella virou-se novamente. Ela ouviu passos. Ela estava assustada. Ela colocou o dinheiro para baixo. E então ela começou a caminhar em direção aos passos. "Quem está aí?" ela disse.

No one replied. She saw movement. It was a person. "I see you!" She yelled. The person appeared. She started laughing. It was her best friend. She surprised Briella.

Ninguém respondeu. Ela viu movimento. Era uma pessoa. "Eu vejo você!" Ela gritou. A pessoa apareceu. Ela começou a rir. Era sua melhor amiga. Ela surpreendeu Briella.

"What a nice surprise," she said. She was laughing, too. Briella finished counting the money. And then they went home together.

"Que bela surpresa", disse ela. Ela também estava rindo. Briella terminou de contar o dinheiro. E então elas foram para casa juntas.

Christopher is Late

Christopher woke up late. His alarm rang, but Christopher did not hear it. He was late to work. He jumped out of bed and said: "I am so late". And then he ran to the restroom.

Christopher acordou tarde. O alarme dele tocou, mas Christopher não o ouviu. Ele estava atrasado para trabalhar. Ele pulou da cama e disse: "Eu estou tão atrasado". E então ele correu para o banheiro.

Christopher quickly brushed his teeth. He hopped in the shower. He took a five-minute shower. He dried his body. He quickly shaved, but unfortunately he cut himself. He shaved too fast. Christopher was not careful. He washed his cut and then he covered it with a band-aid.

Christopher escovou os dentes rapidamente. Ele pulou pra dentro do chuveiro. Ele tomou um banho de cinco minutos. Ele secou seu corpo. Ele se barbeou rapidamente, mas infelizmente ele se cortou. Ele se barbeou muito rápido. Christopher não foi cuidadoso. Ele lavou seu corte e então ele o cobriu com um band-aid.

He quickly ran to his closet. He grabbed his suit and ironed it fast. Christopher put on his suit, but the suit still had wrinkles. He quickly got in his car and drove away.

Ele rapidamente correu para o guarda-roupa dele. Ele pegou seu terno e passou o ferro nele rapidamente. Christopher vestiu seu terno, mas o terno ainda estava amassado. Ele rapidamente entrou em seu carro e foi embora.

There was a lot of traffic on the road. He honked his horn. He arrived at his company. But unfortunately he was one hour late.

Tinha muito tráfego na estrada. Ele tocou a buzina. Ele chegou na empresa. Mas infelizmente ele estava uma hora atrasado.

LARRY LIKES TO TALK

Larry liked to talk. Talking was easy for him. He talked to friends: "Hey, how are you?" His friends replied: "I am fine." He was always polite. "Bless you," he would say when someone sneezed.

Larry gostava de conversar. Conversar era fácil para ele. Ele falava para amigos: "Ei, como você está?" Os amigos dele respondiam: "Eu estou bem". Ele sempre foi educado. "Amém", ele dizia quando alguém espirrava.

"Have an incredible day," he would say after saying goodbye. Larry was a good talker. He was skilled at talking. He talked all the time. He talked during class.

"Tenha um dia incrível", ele dizia depois de se despedir. Larry era um bom falador. (Good talker signfica que ele é bom de conversa) Ele era hábil em falar. Ele conversava o tempo todo. Ele falava durante a aula.

He talked over the phone. He talked at work. He talked everywhere. His job was to talk. He helped customers buy things. "Can I help you, sir?" he would ask.

Ele falava por telefone. Ele falava no trabalho. Ele falava em todos os lugares. O trabalho dele era conversar. Ele ajudava os clientes a comprarem coisas. "Posso te ajudar senhor?" ele perguntava.

Every day he talked to customers. He was always helpful and friendly. "Thank you for taking the time to talk to me," a customer said one day. "You are welcome," Larry said and smiled. Talking is a good skill to have. He practiced it every day.

Todos os dias ele conversava com os clientes. Ele era sempre útil e amigável. "Obrigado por ter tirado um tempo para conversar comigo", disse um cliente um dia. "De nada", Larry disse e sorriu. A conversação é uma boa habilidade para ter. Ele praticava todos os dias.

Patricia Goes to the Party

Patricia was getting ready for the party. The party was at night. It was going to be a big and cool party. All her friends were going. She never went to parties. This was her first time going to one.

Patricia estava se preparando para a festa. A festa era à noite. Iria ser uma festa grande e legal. Todos os amigos dela iriam. Ela nunca ia para festas. Esta foi a primeira vez que ela ia para uma.

She was super nervous. She was excited, but she was a shy girl. Patricia did not talk a lot. She had only four friends. Her friends were shy, too. She did not want to be shy anymore.

Ela estava super nervosa. Ela estava animada, mas ela era uma garota tímida. Patricia não falou muito. Ela tinha apenas quatro amigos. Os amigos dela também eram tímidos. Ela não queria mais ser tímida.

She was tired of it. She got ready for the party. She dressed herself nicely. She combed her hair. She brushed her teeth twice. She looked in the mirror. She looked good. She spoke to herself. "Hey, good looking," she said to the mirror.

Ela estava cansada disso. Ela se preparou para a festa. Ela se vestiu bem. Ela penteou os cabelos. Ela escovou os dentes duas vezes. Ela olhou no espelho. Ela estava bonita. Ela falou para si mesma. "Ei, bonitona", ela disse para o espelho. (look good e good looking significa algo ou alguém bonito).

She was ready. She was confident. The party was in forty minutes. She left early. She drove to the party. She talked to some people and made new friends. She met a boy. The boy kissed her. It was a good party. Patricia had a lot of fun.

Ela estava pronta. Ela estava confiante. A festa era em quarenta minutos. Ela saiu cedo. Ela dirigiu para a festa. Ela conversou com algumas pessoas e fez novos amigos. Ela conheceu um menino. O menino a beijou. Foi uma boa

festa. Patricia se divertiu muito.

Glad to Be Home

Joanne got off the airplane. She stepped on the ground. It was a long flight. There was a baby crying during the whole flight. So she could not sleep. Joanne exited the airport. She called a taxi. It drove her home. She paid the taxi driver and thanked him.

Joanne saiu do avião. Ela pisou no chão. Foi um longo voo. Tinha um bebê chorando durante todo o vôo. Então ela não consiguia dormir. Joanne saiu do aeroporto. Ela chamou um táxi. Ele a levou para casa. Ela pagou o motorista do táxi e agradeceu.

She looked at her house. She was so glad to be home. The lights were on inside and she saw shadows through the open window. Her family reunion had started. Joanne knocked on the door and her father opened the door.

Ela olhou para a casa dela. Ela estava tão feliz por estar em casa. As luzes de dentro estavam acesas e ela viu sombras através da janela aberta. A reunião da família dela começou. Joanne bateu na porta e o pai dela abriu a porta.

"Welcome back home, my girl!" her father said smiling. She went inside. Joanne greeted everybody. She said hello to cousin Mike. She hugged and kissed her grandmother.

"Bem vinda em casa, minha menina!" o pai dela disse sorrindo. Ela entrou. Joanne cumprimentou a todos. Ela disse olá ao primo Mike. Ela abraçou e beijou sua avó.

She shook the hand of her brother-in-law. She hugged her sisters and brothers. She was overjoyed to see her mother. Her mom gave her a big kiss. It was an amazing family reunion. She did not want to go back to Colorado.

Ela apertou a mão do cunhado dela. Ela abraçou suas irmãs e irmãos. Ela ficou muito feliz por ver sua mãe. A mãe dela deu-lhe um grande beijo. Foi uma reunião familiar incrível. Ela não queria voltar para o Colorado.

Riding a Bike

It was a big day for Mr. Johnson. He had just gotten his paycheck. He was on his way to buy his first bicycle. Mr. Johnson grew up in a really poor family. His family could never afford to buy him a bicycle.

Era um grande dia para o Sr. Johnson. Ele acabou de receber o seu cheque de pagamento. Ele estava a caminho de comprar a primeira bicicleta dele. O Sr. Johnson cresceu em uma família realmente pobre. A família dele nunca poderia comprar uma bicicleta pra ele.

Mr. Johnson was now 32 years old. He had a good job and three beautiful children. He wanted to teach them how to ride a bike. But first, Mr. Johnson had to learn himself. He chose a big red bike from the bicycle store. Now, it was time to practice.

O Sr. Johnson tinha agora 32 anos. Ele tinha um bom trabalho e três filhos lindos. Ele queria ensiná-los a andar de bicicleta. Mas primeiro, o Sr. Johnson tinha que ensinar a si mesmo. Ele escolheu uma bicicleta grande e vermelha da loja de bicicletas. Agora era hora de praticar.

His first day on the bike was horrible. "This is so much harder than it looks!" he yelled. After many, many falls, Mr. Johnson got it down. He felt very proud. He felt confident "I can't wait to teach my kids now," he said.

Seu primeiro dia na bicicleta foi horrível. "Isso é muito mais difícil do que parece!" ele gritou. Depois de muitas, muitas quedas, o Sr. Johnson conseguiu. Ele se sentiu muito orgulhoso. Ele se sentiu confiante. "Não posso esperar para ensinar meus filhos agora", disse ele.

Younger Sister

Kathleen has a younger sister. Her name is Brianna. Kathleen is usually annoyed by Brianna. She tries to get away from her, but Brianna follows her like a lost puppy. Kathleen is used to that by now.

Kathleen tem uma irmã mais nova. O nome dela é Brianna. Kathleen geralmente fica irritada com Brianna. Ela tenta se afastar dela, mas Brianna a segue como um cachorrinho perdido. Kathleen já está acostumada.

Brianna always looks up to Kathleen, and she tries to do everything that Kathleen does. One day, Kathleen was getting ready to go out with her boyfriend.

Brianna sempre observa para Kathleen, e ela tenta fazer tudo o que a Kathleen faz. Um dia Kathleen estava se preparando para sair com seu namorado.

Kathleen didn't notice that Brianna was watching her when she was putting on her makeup. When Kathleen got home, Brianna was waiting for her in her room. Her face was covered with permanent markers.

Kathleen não percebeu que Brianna estava observando ela quando ela estava se maquiando. Quando Kathleen chegou em casa, Brianna a estava esperando em seu quarto. O rosto dela estava coberto de marcadores permanentes.

"What did you do?" shouted Kathleen. "I painted my face like you," answered Brianna. And then Kathleen said: “Come here. Let me help you remove your makeup.”

"O que você fez?" gritou Kathleen. "Eu pintei o meu rosto que nem você", respondeu Brianna. E então Kathleen disse: "Venha aqui. Deixa eu te ajudar a remover sua maquiagem."

Curly Hair

Catherine had very curly hair. She hated her hair. "It's too big," she used to complain a lot about it. Catherine wanted to be an actress. All the actresses she knew had straight hair.

Catherine tinha cabelos muito cacheados. Ela odiava o cabelo dela. "É muito grande", ela costumava se queixar muito disso. Catherine queria ser uma atriz. Todas as atrizes que ela conhecia tinham cabelos lisos.

It always looked perfect and smooth. Every morning, Catherine was up at 6:30 a.m. She spent one hour straightening her curly hair. One morning, Catherine had a big acting audition. She was very late. There was no time to straighten her hair.

(O cabelo delas) Sempre parecia perfeito e suave. Todas as manhãs, Catherine levantava às 6h30 da manhã. Ela passava uma hora alisando o cabelo cacheado dela. Em uma manhã, Catherine teve uma grande audição de atuação. Ela estava muito atrasada. Ela não teve tempo para alisar os cabelos.

"I'm never going to get the job with this hair," Catherine thought. She was wrong. As soon as the director saw Catherine, she was hired. "Your hair stands out so much," the director said. "You must love it!" "Of course I do!" replied Catherine.

"Eu nunca vou conseguir o trabalho com este cabelo", pensou Catherine. Ela estava errada. Assim que o diretor viu Catherine, ela foi contratada. "Seu cabelo se destaca muito", disse o diretor. "Você deve amar ele!" "Claro que eu amo!" respondeu Catherine.

The Lazy Guy

Charles was a thirty-year-old guy. He had no job and he also never even went to school. Charles had lived with his parents his whole life. His parents were starting to worry about him.

Charles era um cara de trinta anos. Ele não tinha emprego e ele também nunca foi para a escola. Charles viveu com seus pais a vida toda. Os pais dele começaram a se preocupar com ele.

All Charles did every day was to play video games. "You need to do something with your life. Go get a job!" said his parents. Charles ignored them. He was happy with his life.

Tudo o que Charles fazia todos os dias era jogar video game. "Você precisa fazer algo com sua vida. Vai arrumar um emprego!" os pais dele disseram. Charles ignorou eles. Ele estava feliz com sua vida.

His parents came up with a plan. They started asking him for rent money. "How am I supposed to pay that?" asked Charles. "With a job!" replied his mom. When Charles didn't give them rent, they took all his video games and sold them.

Os pais dele tiveram um plano. Eles começaram a pedir pra ele dinheiro de aluguel. "Como eu conseguiria pagar isso?" Perguntou Charles. "Com um emprego!" respondeu sua mãe. Quando Charles não lhes pagava o aluguel, eles pegavam todos os seus video games e os vendiam.

Charles was really furious. He went out to look for a job. He needed to buy the video games back. And then he got a job and saved money to buy his video games again.

Charles ficava realmente furioso. Ele saiu para procurar um emprego. Ele precisava comprar os video games de volta. E então ele conseguiu um emprego e economizou dinheiro para comprar seus video games novamente.

Get Rich

Derek went to a private college. He couldn't afford it himself. He was lucky to receive a scholarship to pay for him. Many other students at the school were very rich. This made Derek uncomfortable sometimes.

Derek foi para uma faculdade particular. Ele não conseguia pagar sozinho. Ele teve a sorte de receber uma bolsa para pagar por ele. Muitos outros alunos da escola eram muito ricos. Isso deixava Derek desconfortável às vezes.

All his classmates dressed in expensive clothing, but Derek could barely even pay for his books. The last thing he was going to spend money on was clothing. His classmates all drove fancy and expensive sports cars.

Todos os seus colegas de classe vestiam roupas caras, mas Derek dificilmente conseguia pagar pelos livros dele. A última coisa em que ele gastaria dinheiro era em roupa. Os colegas de classe dele dirigiam carros esportivos, sofisticados e caros.

Derek took the bus to school. He was embarrassed for not having money. "Don't worry," said his mom. Soon you're going to graduate. You will get a great job with your degree.

Derek pegava ônibus para (ir) a escola. Ele estava envergonhado por não ter dinheiro. "Não se preocupe", disse a mãe dele. Logo você vai se formar. Você terá um ótimo trabalho com o seu diploma.

One day, you will be as rich as them, Derek. Maybe you will be even richer. Just be patient and work hard to get what you want.

Um dia você será tão rico quanto eles, Derek. Talvez você seja ainda mais rico. Apenas seja paciente e trabalhe duro para conseguir o que deseja.

Going to Disneyland

Laurie had just moved to Los Angeles. She had so many things to see and do. She wanted to go camping by the beach. She wanted to visit Hollywood and see famous people.

Laurie tinha acabado de se mudar para Los Angeles. Ela tinha tantas coisas para ver e fazer. Ela queria ir acampar na praia. Ela queria visitar Hollywood e ver pessoas famosas.

But above everything, she wanted to go to Disneyland. So Laurie drove to Anaheim the first chance she got. She had been dreaming of seeing Disneyland since she was six years old. She was now twenty-three.

Mas acima de tudo, ela queria ir para a Disneyland. Então Laurie dirigiu para Anaheim na primeira chance que teve. Ela tinha sonhado em ver a Disneylândia desde que ela tinha seis anos. Ela tem agora vinte e três anos.

As soon as Laurie walked into the park, she turned into a six-year-old again. She was so full of excitement that she cried. Laurie went back to Disneyland at least once every month. She loves her new home and she has a lot of fun there.

Assim que Laurie entrou no parque, ela se tornou uma criança de seis anos de novo. Ela estava tão animada que ela chorou. Laurie voltou para a Disneylândia pelo menos uma vez por mês. Ela ama a nova casa dela e ela se diverte muito lá.

The Dream

Lucy dreamed of being a painter. But there was one small problem. She had never actually tried painting before. Still, she loved the idea of it. She was sure that she could be great at it. So Lucy decided to take his first painting class.

Lucy sonhava em ser pintora. Mas tinha um pequeno problema. Ela nunca tentou pintar antes. Ainda assim, ela adorava a ideia. Ela tinha certeza de que ela poderia ser ótima nisso. Então Lucy decidiu fazer a primeira aula de pintura dela.

Painting turned out to be harder than she expected. All of Lucy's painting looked horrible. For two years Lucy practiced his painting skills. There was no big improvement.

A pintura acabou sendo mais difícil do que ela esperava. Todas as pinturas de Lucy ficaram horríveis. Durante dois anos Lucy praticou suas habilidades de pintura. Não houve grandes melhorias.

So Lucy decided that it was time to give up her dream. "I'll just try something else," Lucy said to herself. "I've always thought I would make a great actress!"

Então Lucy decidiu que era hora de desistir de seu sonho. "Eu vou tentar outra coisa", disse Lucy para si mesma. "Eu sempre pensei que eu seria uma ótima atriz!"

PARTE 2

It's Time to Sleep

Joseph went to bed. It was **ten o'clock**. He **turned out** the light. He **lay in bed**. It was really dark. It was **quiet**. He could not sleep. He closed his eyes. He tried to sleep, but he couldn't. He **turned** the light back **on**. He opened his book.

Ten o'clock = 10 horas

Turned out = Desligou

Lay in bed = Deitou na cama

Quiet = Silencioso

Turned on = Ligou

He started to read his book. It was an amazing book. He read one page. Then he read another page. After a while, he felt **sleepy**. He closed the book. He turned out the **light** again. He closed his eyes and he went **straight** to sleep.

Sleepy = Sono

Light = Luz

Straight = Direto

Marie Goes to the Gym

Marie exercised every day. She **lifted** weights. She ran on the street. She **rode** her bicycle everywhere. She did **pull-ups** and **push-ups**. She did **crunches** and **sit-ups**. She loved being **in shape**. It felt great. She felt powerful. She felt incredible. She felt fast. She felt attractive. It made her feel confident.

Lifted = Levantou

Rode = Pedalou

Pull-ups = Barras (Uma barra para você se exercitar com o peso do corpo)

Push-ups = Flexões

Crunches = Abdominais (É a mesma coisa que sit-ups, mas variando posições)

Sit-ups = Abdominais

In shape = Em forma

People **complimented** her **appearance**. "Look at those muscles," people said to her. "Thank you, I **work out**," she replied.

But Marie was not always in shape. She used to be fat. She did not like being fat. She was **made fun of**. She had a low **self-esteem**. She felt unattractive. Her body felt tired and heavy. She had no energy.

Complimented = Elogiava

Appearance = Aparência

Work out = Malhar

Made fun of = Expressão que significa tirar sarro de alguém ou de algo. (Tiraram sarro dela)

Self-esteem = Autoestima

She knew she had to change. She looked in the mirror one day. She promised herself to lose weight. She stopped eating **unhealthy** food. She started **moving around** more. She went **jogging** at night. She started going to the gym. And Marie lost **weight**.

Unhealthy = Não saudável

Moving around = Mover ao redor

Jogging = Correr (É como se a pessoa estivesse trotando, e não correndo de verdade)

Weight = Peso

Almost Sisters

Jennifer and Sarah were best friends. People **thought** they were **sisters** because they did everything together. They **shared** everything with each other. They **met** in **high school**. They were in the same university. Sometimes they **argued**, but soon they **made up**. College can be **tough** sometimes.

Thought = Pensavam

Sisters = Irmãs

Shared = Compartilhavam

Met = Se conheceram

High school = Ensino médio

Argued = Discutiam

Made up = Se reconciliavam

Tough = Difícil

They **took classes** together. They studied together. Jennifer and Sarah always helped each other. They were good students. They were from Florida. They went home together. They lived in the same **town**. They knew the same people. Their family knew each other.

They **went back** to university together. They shared the same room. Jennifer and Sarah **acted** like sisters. It is nice **having** a best friend. Everybody should have a best friend. Do you have a best friend?

Took classes = Faziam aulas / tinham aulas

Town = Cidade

Went back = Voltaram

Acted = Agiam

Having = Ter

Unlocking the Door

It was **Saturday** in California. Carolyn needed some **cash**. She **walked** to the bank on the **corner**. Next to the bank were eight **indoor** ATMs. A man was using one of the **ATMs**. Carolyn **pulled on** the glass door. The door was **locked**. She pulled again. How did he **get in** there?

Saturday = Sábado

Cash = Dinheiro

Walked = Caminhou

Corner = Esquina

Indoor = Interno

ATMs = Caixas eletrônicos (Pra sacar dinheiro)

Pulled on = Puxou

Locked = Trancada

Get in = Entrar

The man finished using the ATM. He walked **toward** her. He opened the door. He **stepped outside**. She **held onto** the door. She walked **inside**. He **must** have waited for someone, too, Carolyn thought. She put her card into the ATM. She **got** her money.

Toward = Em direção

Stepped outside = Foi para fora

Held onto = Segurou

Inside = Dentro

Must = Deve

Got = Pegou

She started to **walk out**. Just then a young man **walked in**. She could not believe it. "Excuse me," she said. "How did you get in here? That door is **locked**." "Outside there is a slot next to the door," the man said. "All you have to do is **slide** your ATM card into the slot and the door will **unlock**."

Walk out = Caminhar para fora

Walked in = Entrou

Locked = Trancada

Slide = Deslizar

Unlock = Destrancar

CHOCOLATE CAKE

Mark's **birthday** was today. "I want nothing for my birthday," he had said. Alice **knew** better. She knew that "nothing" **meant** "something." So she went to the **bakery** in the morning. She looked at the cakes. He liked cake without **icing**. So she looked for a cake without icing. She didn't see one. But she saw a chocolate cake.

Birthday = Aniversário

Knew = Sabia

Meant = Significava

Bakery = Padaria

Icing = Glacê

The cake had **vanilla** icing. She liked vanilla icing. He liked chocolate cake. And then she **bought** the cake. The baker **wrote** "Happy Birthday Mark" on the cake. He will like this cake, Alice thought. She **took** it home.

She **showed** Mark the cake. "It looks delicious," he said. "But you have to eat the icing. Did you buy this cake for me or for you? I know you love icing. And you know I hate icing. Next year buy me a cake without icing. You have a **whole** year to find one. But thank you for the cake, I love you."

Vanilla = Baunilha

Bought = Comprou

Wrote = Escreveu

Took = Levou

Showed = Mostrou

Whole = Inteiro

Don't Be Late

Gary did not have much time. It was time to go to work. He did not want to be **late** for work. He would lose his job if he was late. So he finished his coffee. He **drank** the last **drop**. He put the coffee cup in the kitchen **sink**. He **turned on** the kitchen **faucet**. He **poured** water into the **cup**.

Late = Atrasado

Drank = Bebeu

Drop = Gota

Sink = Pia

Turned on = Ligou

Faucet = Torneira

Poured = Derramou

Cup = Copo

He **turned off** the faucet. He **picked up** his keys. The keys were on the **kitchen** table. He **grabbed** his black coat. His black coat was on the chair and the chair was next to the door. He walked **outside**. He locked his door with his house key. And then he went to work.

Turned off = Desligou

Picked up = Pegou

Kitchen = Cozinha

Grabbed = Pegou / Agarrou

Outside = Lado de fora

Linda Loves Books

Reading a book is really fun. Books make you and me **smarter**. They also make you a better reader. Linda loves to read books. She reads books on **cloudy** days. She reads books on **sunny** days and she also reads books on **rainy** days.

Linda has read many books. She read her first book in **first grade**. Her teachers were really impressed. Linda was a good and dedicated student. She had the **highest grades** in class. Linda learned a lot by reading books.

Smarter = Mais inteligente

Cloudy = Nublado

Sunny = Ensolarado

Rainy = Chuvoso

First grade = Primeira série

Highest grades = Notas mais altas

She learned new words. She learned new **adjectives**. She learned new verbs. Linda reads **every single day**. She has learned about history. She has learned about the whole world. She has learned about animals and she also has learned about people. Linda loves to learn about new things.

She learns something new every day. Linda has many books. She has large **bookshelves**. They are **full of** good books. Linda collects a lot of books. She has bought **hundreds** of books at **bookstores**. Linda wants to read every book in the world.

Adjectives = Adjetivos

Every single day = Todo dia (É parecido com o nosso “Todo santo dia”)

Bookshelves = Prateleiras de livros

Full of = Cheio de

Hundreds = Centenas

Bookstores = Lojas de livros

Dakota the Friendly Dog

Dakota was a **friendly** dog. She was obedient. Dakota did as she was told. She only **barked** when she was **threatened**. She never **bit** anybody in her entire life. Dakota liked playing **catch**.

Dakota **ran after** the ball when it was **thrown**. She returned the ball to her owner's hand. Dakota had white fur. She was abandoned by her **previous** owner and she was **found** by a girl.

Friendly = Amigável

Barked = Latia

Threatened = Ameaçada

Bit = Mordeu

Catch = Pegar (Ato de pegar algo, geralmente uma bola)

Ran after = Corria atrás

Thrown = Jogada

Previous = Anterior

Found = Encontrada

The girl **took care of** her. The girl loved Dakota, and Dakota loved the girl too. The girl walked her in the afternoons. Strangers loved to **pet** Dakota and she liked being pet. She liked to **lick** people's hands and faces. "Who's a good girl?" strangers said to Dakota. She would get excited and **jump around**.

Dakota was the perfect dog. The girl never thought of abandoning her. And she never **ran away**. Dakota and the girl were friends for the rest of their lives.

Took care of = Tomou conta de

Pet = Acariciar

Lick = Lamber

Jump around = Pular

Ran away = Fugiu

Brenda Went to the Park

It was a beautiful day. Brenda went to the park. **There were** people everywhere. Brenda saw many things. She saw a kid **riding** a bike. She saw a boy **swinging** on a **swing**. She saw a man playing the guitar. She saw a beautiful family having a picnic.

There were = Havia / Tinha

Riding = Pedalando

Swinging = Balançando

Swing = Balanço

It was a happy **sight**. Brenda **took a deep breath**. The air was **fresh**. The **smell** of flowers was in the air. All the trees were **swaying** in the **wind**. Brenda felt so alive. She heard a **bell**. She looked **around** and saw the **ice-cream** man. She **reached** in her pockets and **grabbed** two dollars.

Sight = Visão

Took a deep breath = Respirou fundo

Fresh = Fresco

Smell = Cheiro

Swaying = Balançando

Wind = Vento

Bell = Sino

Around = Ao redor

Ice-cream = Sorvete

Reached = Alcançou

Grabbed = Pegou

"Hey, ice-cream man!" Brenda **yelled**. The ice-cream man stopped and **turned around**. He walked towards Brenda. "One ice-cream, please," Brenda said. The ice-cream man **handed** Brenda an **ice-cream bar**. "Thank you," said the ice-cream man. Brenda paid and **went on her way**. It was a sunny and happy day. Everything was perfect.

Yelled = Gritou

Turned around = Se virou

Handed = Entregou

Ice-cream bar = Sorvete de palito

Went on her way = Seguiu o caminho dela

Lunch Time

Steven **walked into** a restaurant. It was **lunch time**. He was a bit **hungry**. He **sat down** at a table. The waiter **handed** him a menu. "What would you like to drink?" the waiter asked. He asked for water. He was **on a budget**.

Walked into = Entregou em

Lunch time = Hora do almoço

Hungry = Fome

Sat down = Sentou

Handed = Entregou

On a budget = Orçamento (Quando você sai com o dinheiro contado certinho pra fazer alguma coisa)

Steven stopped **buying** drinks. Water was always free. He liked eating **French fries**. So he looked at the menu and **there was** no French fries. Steven called the **waiter**. "Do you serve French fries?" he asked. "No, I am sorry," the waiter said.

He was **disappointed**. He looked at the menu again. He needed time to think, so **the waiter left**. He did like **chicken**. He did not like **lamb**. He did not like **pork**. He was a **picky eater**.

Buying = Comprar

French fries = Batata frita

There was = Havia / tinha

Waiter = Garçom

Disappointed = Desapontado

The waiter left = O garçom foi embora

Chicken = Galinha

Lamb = Cordeiro

Pork = Carne de porco

Picky eater = Comedor exigente

He **made up his mind**. The waiter **came back**, and he **ordered** fish. The waiter **wrote it down**. He smiled and left. And then he ate **fish** for lunch.

Made up his mind = Se decidiu

Came back = Voltou

Ordered = Pediu

Wrote it down = Anotou / Escreveu

Fish = Peixe

Spanish Test

The day of the **Spanish** test was next **Tuesday**. Ashley had three days to study. She did not like Spanish. It was her **hardest** subject, but she had to study **in order to** pass. She **locked** herself in her room. She **turned off** her phone. And she **shut off** her computer too.

Spanish = Espanhol

Tuesday = Terça-feira

Hardest = Mais difícil

In order to = Para / No intuito de

Locked = Trancou

Turned off = Desligou

Shut off = Desligou

There could be no distractions, but she left her radio **on**. Music helped her study. Every day Ashley studied for hours. After two days she stopped. She needed help. She could not answer **some** Spanish questions. So she **called** her friend. Her friend was good at Spanish. She asked her friend if she **could** help.

There could be no = Não poderia haver

On = Ligado

Some = Algumas / Alguns / Algum

Called = Chamou

Could = Poderia

Her friend said yes and **came over**. Her friend helped her study for four hours. Ashley was ready to **take the test**. Her friend **wished** her **good luck**. And then the day of the test **came**. She finally **took the test**. She **passed** the

test. Studying had **paid off**.

Came over = Veio (Foi na casa da amiga)

Take the test = Fazer o teste

Wished = Desejou

Good luck = Boa sorte

Took the test = Fez o teste

Passed = Passou

Paid off = Valeu a pena

Hearing Footsteps

Briella **heard** her name. She **turned around**. "Hello, who is there?" she asked. She was working **late**. It was her **turn** to close the **store**. She was alone. She was at the **register counting** money. It was almost **midnight**. She was **sleepy**.

Heard = Ouviu

Turned around = Se virou

Late = Tarde (Exemplo: It´s late = Está tarde)

Turn = Vez

Store = Loja

Register counting = Máquina registradora

Midnight = Meia noite

Sleepy = Com sono

Her **feet** were tired. She had been **standing** for seven hours. She was almost finished. Briella turned around again. She heard **footsteps**. She was **scared**. She put the money down. And then she started walking towards the footsteps. "Who is there?" she said.

No one **replied**. She saw movement. It was a person. "I see you!" She yelled. The person **appeared**. She started **laughing**. It was her best friend. She surprised Briella. "What a nice surprise," she said. She was laughing, too. Briella finished **counting** the money.

And then they went home together.

Feet = Pés

Standing = Em pé

Footsteps = Passos

Scared = Assustada

Replied = Respondeu

Appeared = Apareceu

Laughing = Rir

Counting = Contar

Christopher is Late

Christopher **woke up** late. His alarm **rang**, but Christopher did not hear it. He was late to work. He **jumped out of** bed and said: "I am so late". And then he ran to the **restroom**. Christopher quickly **brushed** his **teeth**. He **hopped in** the shower. He took a five-minute **shower**.

Woke up = Acordou

Rang = Tocou / Despertou

Jumped out of = Pulou da (cama)

Restroom = Banheiro

Brushed = Escovou

Teeth = Dentes

Hopped in = Pulou no (chuveiro)

Shower = Chuveiro

He **dried** his body. He quickly **shaved**, but unfortunately he **cut** himself. He shaved too fast. Christopher was not careful. He **washed** his cut and then he **covered** it with a band-aid. He quickly ran to his closet. He **grabbed** his suit and **ironed** it fast.

Dried = Secou

Shaved = Barbeou

Cut = Cortou

Washed = Lavou

Covered = Cobriu

Grabbed = Pegou

Ironed = Passou o ferro (Passar roupa)

Christopher **put on** his suit, but the suit still had **wrinkles**. He quickly **got in** his car and **drove away**. There was a lot of **traffic** on the road. He **honked** his **horn**. He arrived at his company.

But unfortunately he was one hour late.

Put on = Colocou

Wrinkles = Rugas / Amassados (na roupa)

Got in = Entrou

Drove away = Dirigiu (para longe)

Traffic = Tráfego

Honked = Tocou / Buzinou

Horn = Buzina

Larry Likes to Talk

Larry liked to **talk**. Talking was easy for him. He talked to friends: "Hey, how are you?" His friends replied: "I am fine." He was always **polite**. "**Bless you**," he would say when someone **sneezed**.

"Have an incredible day," he would say after **saying** goodbye. Larry was a good **talker**. He was **skilled** at talking. He talked all the time. He talked during **class**. He **talked over** the phone. He talked at work. He talked **everywhere**.

Talk = Conversar / Falar

Polite = Educado

Bless you = Amém / Sáude

Sneezed = Espirrava

Saying = Dizer

Talker = Falante / Conversador

Skilled = Habilidoso

Class = Aula

Talked over = Falava no

Everywhere = Em todos os lugares

His job was to talk. He helped **customers** buy things. "**Can** I help you, **sir**?" he would ask. Every day he talked to customers. He was always **helpful** and **friendly**.

"Thank you for **taking the time** to talk to me," a customer said one day. "**You are welcome**," Larry said and **smiled**. Talking is a good **skill** to have. He practiced it every day.

Customers = Clientes

Can = Posso

Sir = Senhor

Helpful = Útil

Friendly = Amigável

Taking the time = Tirado um tempo

You are welcome = De nada

Smiled = Sorriu

Skill = Habilidade

Patricia Goes to the Party

Patricia was **getting ready** for the party. The party was at night. It was going to be a big and cool party. All her friends were going. She never went to parties. This was her first time going to one. She was super nervous. She was excited, but she was a **shy** girl. Patricia did not talk **a lot.**

She had only four friends. Her friends were shy, too. She did not want to be shy anymore. She was tired of it. She **got ready** for the party. She **dressed** herself nicely. She **combed** her hair. She **brushed** her teeth **twice**.

Getting ready = Se preparando

Shy = Tímida

A lot = Muito

Got ready = Se preparou

Dressed = Vestiu

Combed = Penteou

Brushed = Escovou

Twice = Duas vezes

She looked in the mirror. She **looked good**. She **spoke** to herself. "Hey, **good looking**," she said to the mirror. She was ready. She was confident. The party was in forty minutes. She left **early**. She **drove** to the party. She talked to some people and made new friends.

She met a boy. The boy kissed her. It was a good party. Patricia **had a lot of fun**.

Looked good = Estava bonita

Spoke = Falou

Good looking = Bonitona

Early = Cedo

Drove = Dirigiu

Had a lot of fun = Se divertiu muito

Glad to Be Home

Joanne **got off** the airplane. She **stepped on** the ground. It was a long **flight**. **There was** a baby crying during the whole flight. So she could not sleep. Joanne **exited** the airport. She called a taxi. It drove her home. She paid the taxi driver and **thanked** him.

She looked at her house. She was so **glad** to be home. The lights were on **inside** and she saw **shadows** through the open window. Her family reunion had started. Joanne **knocked on** the door and her father opened the door.

Got off = Saiu

Stepped on = Pisou no (chão)

Flight = Voo

There was = Tinha / Havia

Exited = Saiu

Thanked = Agradeceu

Glad = Feliz

Inside = Dentro

Shadows = Sombras

Knocked on = Bateu na (porta)

"Welcome back home, my girl!" her father said **smiling**. She went inside. Joanne **greeted** everybody. She said hello to cousin Mike. She **hugged** and kissed her grandmother. She **shook** the hand of her **brother-in-law**. She hugged her sisters and brothers.

She was **overjoyed** to see her mother. Her mom gave her a big kiss. It was an amazing family reunion. She did not want to **go back** to Colorado.

Smiling = Sorrindo

Greeted = Cumprimentou

Hugged = Abraçou

Shook = Apertou (a mão)

Brother-in-law = Cunhado

Overjoyed = Muito feliz

Go back = Voltar

Riding a Bike

It was a big day for Mr. Johnson. He **had just gotten** his **paycheck**. He was **on his way** to buy his first bicycle. Mr. Johnson **grew up** in a really poor family. His family could never **afford** to buy him a bicycle.

Had just gotten = Acabou de

Paycheck = Pagamento

On his way = A caminho de

Grew up = Cresceu

Afford = Proporcionar (Ter dinheiro suficiente para comprar algo)

Mr. Johnson was now 32 years old. He had a good job and three beautiful children. He wanted to teach them how to **ride** a bike. But first, Mr. Johnson had **to learn himself**. He **chose** a big red bike from the bicycle **store**. Now, it was time to practice.

His first day on the bike was horrible. "This is so much **harder** than **it looks**!" he **yelled**. After many, many falls, Mr. Johnson **got it down**. He felt very **proud**. He felt confident "**I can't wait** to teach my kids now," he said.

Ride = Andar (de bicicleta)

To learn himself = Ensinar a si mesmo

Chose = Escolheu

Store = Loja

Harder = Mais díficil

It looks = Parece

Yelled = Gritou

Got it down = Conseguiu

Proud = Orgulhoso

I can’t wait = Mal posso esperar

Younger Sister

Kathleen has a **younger** sister. Her name is Brianna. Kathleen is usually **annoyed** by Brianna. She tries to **get away from** her, but Brianna follows her like a lost **puppy**. Kathleen is **used to** that by now.

Younger = Mais nova

Annoyed = Irritada

Get away from = Se afastar

Puppy = Cachorrinho

Used to = Acostumada

Brianna always **looks up** to Kathleen, and she tries to do everything that Kathleen does. One day, Kathleen was **getting ready** to **go out** with her boyfriend. Kathleen didn't **notice** that Brianna was watching her when she was **putting on** her **makeup**.

Looks up = Observa

Getting ready = Se preparando

Go out = Sair

Notice = Notar

Putting on = Colocando

Makeup = Maquiagem

When Kathleen **got home**, Brianna was **waiting for** her in her room. Her face was **covered** with **permanent markers**. "What did you do?" **shouted** Kathleen. "I **painted** my face like you," **answered** Brianna.

And then Kathleen said: “Come here. Let me help you remove your makeup.”

Got home = Chegou em casa

Waiting for = Esperando por

Covered = Coberta (por algo)

Permanent markers = Marcadores permanente

Shouted = Gritou

Painted = Pintei

Answered = Respondeu

Curly Hair

Catherine had very **curly hair**. She hated her hair. "It's too big," she used to **complain** a lot about it. Catherine wanted to be an **actress**. All the actresses she knew had **straight hair**.

It always looked perfect and **smooth**. Every morning, Catherine was up at 6:30 a.m. She **spent** one hour straightening her curly hair.

Curly hair = Cabelo enrolado

Complain = Reclamar

Actress = Atriz

Straight hair = Cabelo liso

Smooth = Suave

Spent = Passava / Gastava

One morning, Catherine had a big acting **audition**. She was very late. There was no time to straighten her hair. "I'm never going to **get** the job with this hair," Catherine **thought**. She was **wrong**.

As soon as the director saw Catherine, she was **hired**. "Your hair **stands out** so much," the director said. "You **must** love it!" "Of course I do!" **replied** Catherine.

Audition = Audição

Get = Conseguiu

Thought = Pensou

Wrong = Errada

As soon as = Logo que / Assim que

Hired = Contratada

Stands out = Se destaca

Must = Deve

Replied = Respondeu

The Lazy Guy

Charles was a thirty-year-old **guy**. He had no job and he also never **even** went to school. Charles **had lived** with his parents his whole life. His parents were starting to **worry about** him.

All Charles did every day was to play video games. "You need to do something with your life. **Go get** a job!" said his parents. Charles ignored them. He was happy with his life.

Guy = Cara

Even = Até / Mesmo

Had lived = Viveu

Worry about = Se preocupar com

Go get = Vai arrumar (um emprego)

His parents **came up** with a plan. They started asking him for **rent** money. "How am I **supposed to** pay that?" asked Charles. "With a job!" replied his mom. When Charles didn't give them rent, they **took** all his video games and **sold** them.

Charles was really furious. He **went out** to look for a job. He needed to buy the video games back. And then he got a job and **saved** money to buy his video games again.

Came up = Apareceu

Rent = Aluguel

Supposed to = Deveria

Took = Pegou

Sold = Vendeu

Went out = Saiu

Saved = Economizou

Get Rich

Derek went to a **private** college. He **couldn't afford** it himself. He was **lucky** to receive a **scholarship** to pay for him. Many other students at the school were very rich. This made Derek **uncomfortable** sometimes.

Private = Particular

Couldn’t afford = Não conseguia pagar

Lucky = Sorte

Scholarship = Bolsa de estudos

Uncomfortable = Desconfortável

All his **classmates** dressed in **expensive** clothing, but Derek **could barely** even pay for his books. The last thing he was going to **spend** money on was **clothing**. His classmates all **drove fancy** and expensive sports cars. Derek **took** the bus to school. He was **embarrassed** for not having money.

Classmates = Colegas de classe

Expensive = Caro

Could barely = Mal conseguia

Spend = Gastar

Clothing = Roupas

Drove = Dirigia

Fancy = Sofisticados

Took =Pegou

Embarrassed = Envergonhado

"Don't **worry**," said his mom. **Soon** you're going to **graduate**. You will get a great job with your **degree**. One day, you will be **as rich as** them, Derek.

Maybe you will be even **richer**. Just be patient and **work hard** to get what you want.

Worry = Preocupar

Soon = Logo

Graduate = Se formar

Degree = Diploma

As rich as = Tão rico quanto

Richer = Mais rico

Work hard = Trabalhe duro

Going to Disneyland

Laurie had **just** moved to Los Angeles. She had so many things to see and do. She wanted to go **camping** by the beach. She wanted to visit Hollywood and see famous people.

But **above** everything, she wanted to go to Disneyland. So Laurie **drove** to Anaheim the first chance she **got**. She **had been dreaming of** seeing Disneyland since she was six years old. She was now twenty-three.

Had just = Tinha acabado

Camping = Acampar

Above = Acima

Drove = Dirigiu

Got = Teve

Had been dreaming of = Tinha sonhado em (ver)

As soon as Laurie **walked into** the park, she **turned into** a six-year-old again. She was so **full of excitement** that she cried. Laurie went back to Disneyland **at least once** every month. She loves her new home and she **has a lot of fun** there.

As soon as = Logo que / Assim que

Walked into = Entrou

Turned into = Se transformou

Full of excitement = Cheia de alegria

At least once = Pelo menos uma vez

Has a lot of fun = Se diverte muito

The Dream

Lucy **dreamed** of being a painter. But **there was** one small problem. She had never **actually** tried **painting** before. Still, she loved the idea of it. She was **sure** that she **could be** great at it. So Lucy decided to **take** his first **painting class**.

Dreamed = Sonhava

There was = Havia / Tinha

Actually = Na verdade / Na realidade

Painting = Pintar

Sure = Certeza

Could be = Poderia ser

Take = Fazer

Painting class = Aula de pintura

Painting **turned out** to be **harder** than she **expected**. All of Lucy's painting **looked** horrible. For two years Lucy practiced his painting skills. **There was no** big **improvement**.

So Lucy **decided** that it was time to **give up** her dream. "**I'll** just try **something else**," Lucy said to herself. "**I've** always thought I would **make** a great actress!"

Turned out = Acabou (sendo)

Harder = Mais difícil

Expected = Esperava

Looked = Pareciam

There was no = Não teve

Improvement = Melhoria

Decided = Decidiu

Give up = Desistir

I’ll = Eu vou (I will)

Something else = Outra coisa

I’ve always = Eu sempre (I have)

Would make = Faria / Seria (uma atriz)

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